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In re the Application of:

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

In response to the office action under mailing date March 25, 2000, the applicant submits the following corrections, amendments and response.

In the Specification:

At page 16, line 33, after "apertures" insert -- 233 --.

At page 17, line 26, insert after "blade 12 and fence 161." --

A lock knob 238L inserted into threaded hole 238H reversibly locks portion 203M to portion 203S. --

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1, as follows:

1. (twice amended) A movable, protective, sawdust collection hood for use with a table saw, said table saw having a horizontal worktable with front and rear sides, a circular saw blade mounted below the worktable and having a peripheral portion thereof extending above the worktable rotating toward the front side of the worktable, [and a splitter having a portion extending above the rear side of the worktable,] comprising:

(a) a pair of spaced-apart, vertical side panels, each side panel having a front, central and rear portion, the central and